

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 833

By Henry

### A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Varallo family and Varallo's Restaurant.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pay tribute to those fine dining establishments that serve the gastronomical needs of our citizens, while also delighting their taste buds; and

WHEREAS, Varallo's Restaurant is one such outstanding restaurant that has attracted a diverse and loyal clientele by providing delicious cuisine and attentive service to its many loyal patrons; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional restaurant first opened its doors in 1907 and has served Nashvillians for more than one hundred years, making it the oldest continuously operated restaurant in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Varallo's Restaurant's signature chile recipe was acquired by restaurant founder Frank Varallo, Sr., during his travels as a musician in South America before his son Frank Varallo, Jr., served it to customers for seventy years; the founder's great-grandson Todd Varallo now continues this family tradition as the current operator of the restaurant; and

WHEREAS, Varallo's Restaurant has long been a gathering place for Tennessee's governors and legislators, Nashville's mayors, politicians, musicians, movie stars, athletes, artists, business leaders, and students, and anyone who is hungry; and

WHEREAS, during its century of existence, Varallo's Restaurant has been the scene of many negotiations, meetings, conferences, and consultations that have shaped the course of Nashville and Tennessee history; and

WHEREAS, Varallo's Restaurant provides its customers a daily inspirational, insightful, or entertaining "Thought from the Bottom of the Chile Bowl"; and

WHEREAS, Varallo's Restaurant always serves its food with a side order of friendship for every person who enters the eatery; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend the Varallo family and Varallo's Restaurant for satisfying hungry citizens throughout a century of operation, honor them for their unique contributions to the character and culture of the city of Nashville and the State of Tennessee, and wish them every continued success in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.